

REMARKS

Claims 26-34 have been added to claim additional subject matter disclosed in the specification. Claims 1-33 are pending.

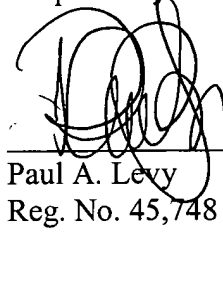
Support for claims 26-29 is found in the specification at page 8, line 11 to page 9, line 10. Support for claims 30-33 is found in the specification at page 9, line 11 to page 10, line 11. Support for claim 34 is found in the specification at page 14, line 11 to page 15, line 6 and in FIG. 6. No new matter has been added.

The Kawahara reference discloses method for generating a stable reference voltage in a band-gap generator using flash memory cells. The cited reference does not disclose or suggest that recognizing the variations in the nominal charge pump capacity of a flash memory cell can be used to enhance the efficiency of flash memory programming, erasing and reading. Also, the cited reference does not disclose using either a constant current or constant voltage method for altering the charge pump capacity to affect a different number of flash memory cells.

Applicant asks that all claims be examined.

Enclosed is a \$398.00 check for excess claim fees. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

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